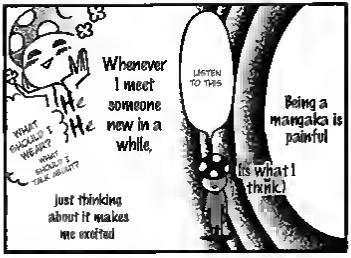
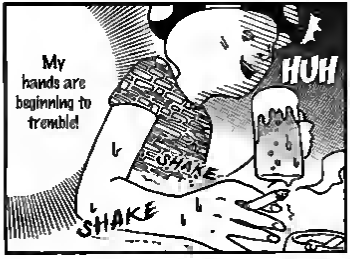

Whenever I meet someone new in a while,
He
He
He
WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?
WHAT SHOULD I TALK ABOUT?
just thinking about it makes me excited
LISTEN TO THIS
Being a mangaka is painful
(is what I think.)

and 'bout to hit up a conversation...
CHEERS
AHAHAHAHA
AHAHAHAHA
When relieving all my stress,


My hands are beginning to tremble!
HUH
SHAKE
SHAKE

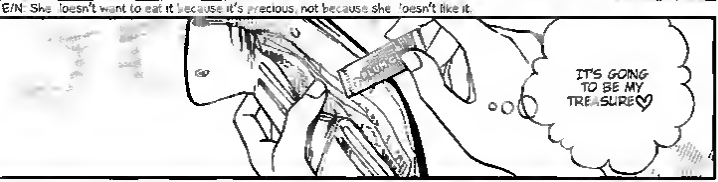
I'M STARTING TO GET A BIT DIZZY
sweat
HEY WHY AM I TURNING PALE? IT'S GONNA BE ALRIGHT
sweat
sweat
AHAHA
Because I barely talk to anyone. The only thing that comes to me is...
LACK OF OXYGEN...!!
AHAHA
LET'S PRETEND NOTHING'S WRONG

#2
0 or 100

AH-
HERE, LIME.
DING
DONG
DANG
Isezaki, the one I like.
PASS
OKYAA
!!!
These days...
IT'S OK!!
IT'S...
SLIDE

I have no clue what he's thinking.
THAT'S NOT CUTE.
It's been a month since everyone found out about my one sided love.
AH, THE NOTE I FINISHED IT.
AH, YEA.
I COULD NEVER ACT CUTE!!!
SMIRK
SMIRK
SMIRK
What I can't understand is...
Why isn't he doing anything even though he knows how I feel?!
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
IS HE TEASING ME?!
TA-AK
!
PLUM GUM

E/N: She doesn't want to eat it because it's precious, not because she doesn't like it.

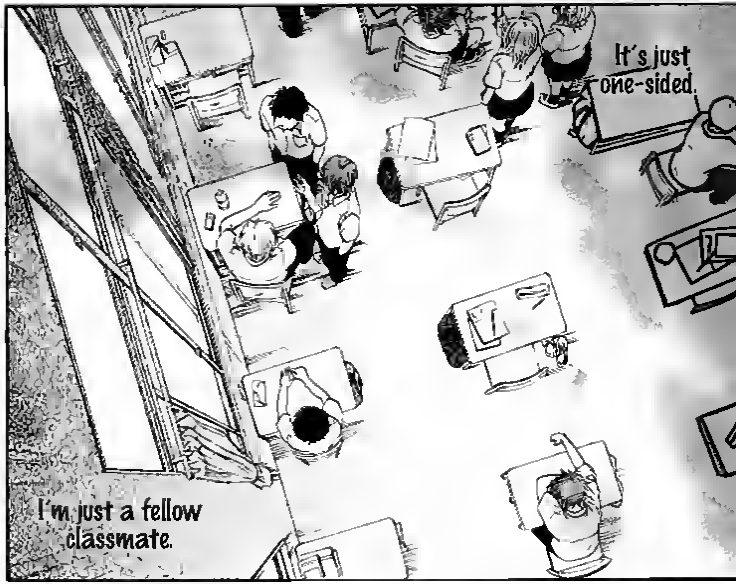


EVEN ISEZAKI KNOWS THAT UMEHARA LIKES HIM.
JUST CONFESS!!
OPEN
Awh, really? For real?
WOW, SO ANNOYING
You're trying too hard.
The answer will come at me
I...
DON'T!!
SLAM
straight out, too.
I...
The real thing that bothers me is
WHACK
if I go straight out
LIKE YOU!!
BUT IF I JUST CONFESS LIKE THAT, WOULDN'T HE BE PRESSURED...?
POUR
IF THAT'S WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN
AH?

IT'S UME!
...AND FRIENDS.
EH
!!!
"And friends"?
.....
Don't eat everything!!
LET'S GO, ISEZAKI.
YEAH.
Let me have a bite! ♡meat♡
Yum
HEY-!!
WOW, PERFECT TIMING!
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
I ONLY HAD CHIPS TODAY CAUSE I LOST TO A GAME OF ROCK PAPER SCISSORS

JUST A SIP.
slurp
BLUSH
WOW,
IT'S REALLY SWEET.
weird~
I'LL BE LEAVING FIRST!♡
He's like a gust of wind~

That expression!!!
GASP!
!!!
WITHOUT A MOMENT OF HESITATION!!
OH MY GOSH! UMEHARA, WAS THAT
AN INDIRECT KISS?
What?
No, it wasn't on purpose!
Hey, that's a bit too much
I'm not going to confess.
I'd be happy
just to continue with the way it is.
LOTTE
PLUM GUM
BUT...



E/N: Apologies for the strange, unnatural drawings to the right. The raws were low quality

I WISH THINGS LIKE SUMMER BREAKS DON'T EXIST.
"I want to see you."
...is something I can't say to him.
Push
UMEHARA, YOU NEED TO CHANGE.
BA-DUMP
THIS SUMMER, YOU SHOULD PREPARE FOR A GOING-OUT-WITH-ISEZAKI VERSION OF YOURSELF.
!
SO WHAT SHE MEANS IS,
?
?
SHUT

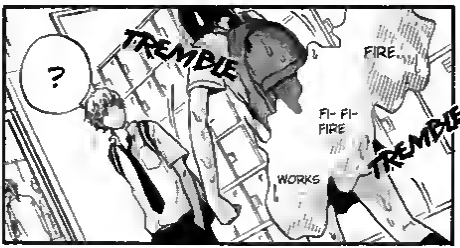
Wow, it's like a dream...
TREM
BLE
WHAT CENTURY ARE YOU IN?
How cliché
To the beach...
Ah...
The mountains...
I ♡ BBQ
Gaze
The wall...
BUT AFTER SUMMER, IT'LL PROBABLY RETURN TO A 0% AGAIN.
RIGHT NOW, YOU HAVE A 50% CHANCE...
OF COURSE AND IF YOU HAD CONFESSED THE RESULT WOULD EITHER BE 0% OR 100%.
E-BUT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS ONLY AFTER YOU START DATING
AH
SWITCH

HOWEVER, YOU CAN START TAKING ADVANTAGE OF IT NOW AND GET 100%
100%
0
YOU'RE LETTING THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP! IT'S GOING TO GO DOWN TO 0%
OR NOT?
UM...
HM...
WANNA DO IT?
I WANT TO DO IT!
YES! UMEHARA, THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
You look like you're shining! So awesome!!
SPLAT
THEN I'LL GIVE YOU THIS.
BOING
!

DING
YES, STARTING FROM TOMORROW IT'S SUMMER, BUT...
DON'T DRINK, DON'T SMOKE.
etc. etc.
DING
AND DON'T LEAVE YOUR GYM CLOTHES HERE.
HA HA HA HA
DING
"There is no better event to confess at."
WAH, THIS IS IN ISEZAKI'S TOWN.
I'm not really familiar with the location though.
27th Annual FIREWORKS FESTIVAL
WITH THAT SAID, CLASS DISMISSED!
Chatter
EHHH.... WAIT ONE MINUTE.
Chatter
SHAKE
SHAKE
SHAKE
Chatter
If I don't ask him today, I'll have to wait for the next semester.
SHAKE
"Do you want to go see fireworks with me?" is all I want to say.
I...ISEZAKI.

BA-DUMP
Ugh, my heart is tightening...
FI-FIRE
SUMMER, DURING BREAK, THAT IS...
IT'S SUM...
BA-DUMP
AH...THE THING IS...
BA-DUMP

SURPRISED
AH, UME THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK YOU
SUDDENLY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TREMBLE
FIRE...
FI- FI- FIRE
WORKS
TREMBLE

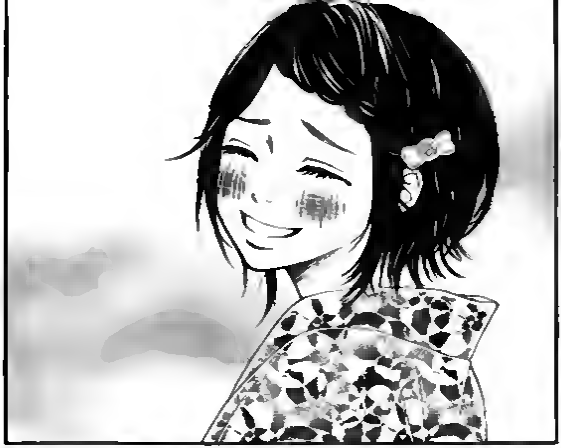
DO YOU WANT TO GO SEE FIREWORKS TOGETHER IN MY TOWN?

OH LA LA. WHAT IS IT? WHAT IS IT? A GIRL?
JUST LIKE THAT...
FOR REAL?!
...What?
...AH
YES!
AH, THEM UME, YOU SHOULD BRING YOUR FRIENDS TOO.
OHHH... 3:30 IS PERFECT!!
What is this?
A BUKEN!
THEN IT'S DECIDED...
WHAT DO YOU WANT, UME?
AH,
YEA! LET'S DO THAT...!
IT'S MORE DIFFICULT IF WE'RE ALONE
"I'll confess during the fireworks."

Bakuhn
If I said that, would Isezaki laugh?
Ba-lump
AH... BUT EVEN THAT LAUGH...
Ba-lump
Ba-lump
Ba-lump
DAMN IT...
ISEZAKI!

I LOOK FOWARD TO IT
Fireworks... Yukata...
A night festival...
Something out of the ordinary

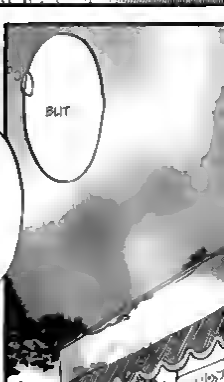
I'll confess for sure!
OH WOW, UMEHARA YOU WORKED VERY HARD!
Just as expected!
NOISE
Huh?
NOISE
BAM!
NOISE
Ugh his friends
NOISE
Ooh It's you!
AH, IT'S UMEHARA AND HER FRIENDS!
Girls~
I TRIED, SOMEWHAT.
YEAH.
Ba Dump
Ba Dump
OOH.
DARN!
REALLY CUTE!



THAT'S IT?

Today I'm going to confess!
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
Let's not dwell on small details!

Ba-dump
CAN I ASK HIM STRAIGHT OUT?
Ba-dump
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
AH. IT'S SO DIFFICULT MY STOMACH IS STARTING TO HURT...
Ba-dump
AH.
IT'S A YOYO!


BUT

UH... I...
Bad? Crooked?
LIME, WHAT COLOUR DO YOU LIKE?

YOYO FISHING
...Er? What to do?
N- NO I MANAGED IT MYSELF!
Ah... We're alone
HEY, FOR GIRLS...
WHAT?
REALLY?! THAT'S AMAZING!
HOW DO YOU WEAR YOUR YUKATA? DOES YOUR MOM HELP?
63

Ba-dump
Didn't I intend to confess?!
Ba-dump
HM...
I should confess now!
Ba-dump
THAT MEANS IT'S

SWEATING!!
I shouldn't be telling him about this
AFTER WEARING IT, IT WAS SWEATING BECAUSE OF THE HEAT
IT TOOK ME THREE HOURS EVEN THOUGH I WAS READING A GUIDE!
IT'S NOT AMAZING!

IT'S VERY CUTE.
PAT
THAT'S THE THING IS...
BA
IT WAS ALL FOR ME?
WHAT?
AH
DUMP
THE FACT THAT LIME TRIES SO HARD,
IS WHAT I LIKE ABOUT YOU!

SPLASH
"Like"?
...ST-
STOP IT...

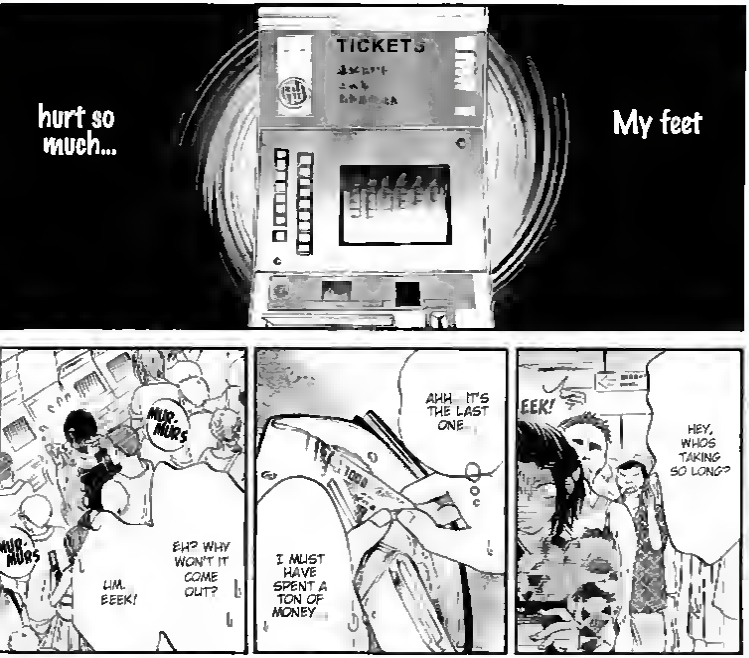
YANK
63
YOU SAY THAT IS IT'S NOTHING...
AH.
TURNS
WAIT A MOMENT BATHROOM
LIME?
I'M SORRY.
I...
EH...

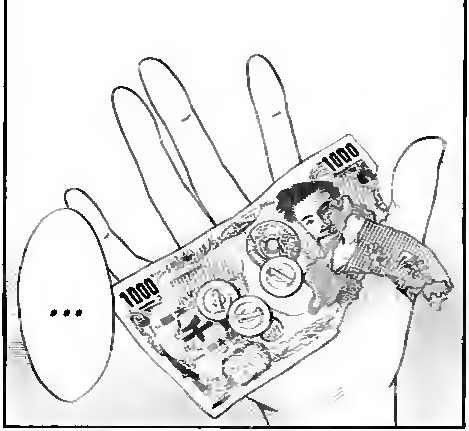
LIME, WAIT!
WHAT'S WRONG?
!
STEP
FALL
...LIME!
!!!
AHH...
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
...DON-
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER.

This is the worst.
WHOOSH
CRY
CRY
TURNS
The plan went completely wrong!!
WHOOSH
HIC
CRY HIC
THE FIREWORKS STARTED...
MAYBE THEY'RE LOOKING FOR ME
BEEP
BEEP
THE NUMBER YOU HAVE DIALED IS CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE...
PLEASE TRY AGAIN LATER...
Please keep it clean!
...What?..

BOOM
BOOM
What is this?
OH-! ISEZAKI, OVER HERE!!
WE COULDN'T REACH YOUR PHONE BUT AT LEAST YOU MADE IT!
CAN'T BELIEVE YOU GOT HERE PRETTY QUICKLY
WELL THIS WAS THE SAME SPOT FROM LAST YEAR.
...AH?
WHAT ABOUT UMEHARA? WASN'T SHE WITH YOU?
WHAT?
DIDN'T SHE ARRIVE ALREADY?

CLOG
CLOG
CLOG
THE NUMBER YOU HAVE JUST DIALED
THE NETWORK IS BUSY
BA-DUMP
CHATTER
DUMP
CHATTER
CHATTER
PLEASE RECHARGE
21:54
DID THEY
ALREADY HEAD BACK HOME?
Apple Pie


My feet
hurt so much...
TICKETS
MUR-MURS
MUR-MURS
UM. EEEK!
EH? WHY WON'T IT COME OUT?
I MUST HAVE SPENT A TON OF MONEY
AHH. IT'S THE LAST ONE
EEK!
HEY, WHO'S TAKING SO LONG?
!!!
STICKY
STICKY


...
1000
1000

HOW SHOULD I GET HOME?
I NEED TO THINK STRAIGHT!
...I CAN'T BREAK DOWN HERE!

What the hell am I doing right now...
...UME?

1000 yen = 10 dollars

...BECAUSE IT'S THE GUM I GOT FROM ISEZAKI...
BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING I TREASURE...

LIME, YOU'RE FOOLISH...
CHATTER
CHATTER
I DIDN'T GET TO SEE IT TOO.
I DIDN'T GET TO SEE THE FIREWORKS.
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
...FIRST, GET ON.
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP

BA-DUMP
I'M REALLY SORRY.
AH!
BA-DUMP
BA-DUMP
IT'S NOT TOO LATE
FOR 'FIREWORKS'.
!

AND WE'RE ALL ALONE!!
SO BREATH-TAKING.
WOW, IT'S AMAZING HERE.

TEA
...Ah.
WHAT? I'M NOT A HUMAN BEING?
I like you so much.
TEAM ROCK
SQUEEZE

WHA...
DON'T DISTURB ME WHILE I'M DRIVING!
SKREE
WHAT WAS ALL THAT ABOUT?!!
AH, NO...
I'M SORRY.
WHAT?
NO, NOTHING LIKE THAT?
WHY?! WHAT WAS IT?
AH, DID YOU SEE A GHOST?
TEAM ROCK

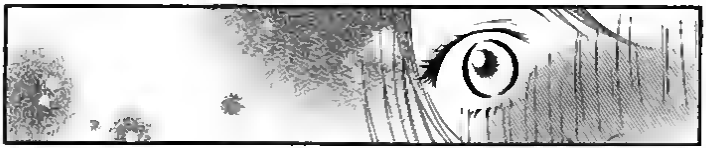
ISEZAKI,
I LIKE YOU!

SHOCKED!!
AH...
...I'M SORRY, UMEHARA...
I KNOW THIS MIGHT SOUND SIMPLE-MINDED AND ABSURD,
ba-bump
ba-bump
...BUT

I NEVER LIED WHENEVER I SAID "YOU'RE CUTE" AND "I LIKE YOU".

WELL, THAT'S THAT
YOU WANT TO GO OUT?
63
TURN
DARAAAA
OF COURSE IT'D BE SO CASUALLY SAID!
R-REALLY?
W-WAIT, ARE YOU JUST SAYING THIS BECAUSE OF THE MOOD?
AHAHA! AREN'T YOU DOUBTING ME TOO MUCH?
Do I look like that kinda guy?
WAH, UMEHARA'S MY GIRLFRIEND
PFFT
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?!

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!



On a normal day in August,

END